



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2022 to 06/30/2022

Superior National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A. EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sarah Shoemaker 907-586-7886 sarahshoemaker@fs.fed.us
	Description: The U.S. Department of Agriculture proposes revisions to its regulations at 36 CFR 228, Subpart A governing locatable minerals operations on National Forest System lands. A draft EIS & proposed rule should be available for review/comment in late 2020				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. These regulations apply to all NFS lands open to mineral entry under the US mining laws. More Information is available at: https://www.fs.usda.gov/science-technology/geology/minerals/locatable-minerals/current-revisions .				
Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land. EIS *UPDATED*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 08/08/2020 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/2022	Expected: 06/2022	07/2022	Laura Conway 406-802-4317 laura.conway@usda.gov
	Description: Programmatic Supplemental EIS for the Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60450				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The direction in the SEIS will apply to use of aerially delivered fire retardant on all National Forest System land.				

Superior National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R9 - Eastern Region

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Superior National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R9 - Eastern Region
2022 Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread EA EA *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/01/2022 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 03/2022	Expected:05/2022	06/2022	Linda Merriman 218-365-2095 linda.merriman@usda.gov
	Description: The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA), in collaboration with federal, state, and local partners, is proposing to treat isolated gypsy moth populations using a mating disruptant on Superior National Forest lands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61564				
Proposed Rainy-River Watershed Withdrawal EA EA *UPDATED*	Location: UNIT - Superior National Forest All Units. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Two treatment blocks located in the southeastern part of the Forest approximately 20 miles north of Two Harbors, MN.				
	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/21/2021	Expected:06/2022	08/2022	Matthew Judd 218-626-4300 matthew.judd@usda.gov
	Description: The Forest Service has proposed a 20-year withdrawal of approx. 225,544 acres of National Forest System lands from disposition under laws relating to mineral and geothermal leasing on the Superior National Forest, subject to valid existing rights				
School Trust Land Exchange EIS EIS	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60916				
	Location: UNIT - Superior National Forest All Units. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake, St. Louis. LEGAL - See application, appendix A. The Federal lands are located within a portion of the Rainy River watershed, outside the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) and the BWCA Mining Protection Area. See application Map.				
	- Land ownership management	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/11/2017 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/2022	Expected:11/2022	11/2022	Peter Taylor 218-626-4368 prtaylor@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project would exchange federal Superior National Forest lands located outside the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) for Minnesota School Trust land located inside the BWCAW.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45943				
	Location: UNIT - Superior National Forest All Units. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake, St. Louis. LEGAL - multiple lands within Cook, Lake and Saint Louis Counties, Minnesota. multiple lands within Cook, Lake and Saint Louis Counties, Minnesota.				

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Superior National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R9 - Eastern Region
Multiple Trail and Road Bridge Replacements CE *NEW LISTING*	- Road management	Completed	Actual: 03/21/2022	10/2022	Caroline Torkildson 218-235-3007 Caroline.Torkildson@usda.gov
	Description: Bridges will be replaced in order to maintain public safety.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District, Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Multiple bridge locations on the Tofte and Gunflint Ranger Districts.				
TNC Riparian Planting CE *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 02/07/2022	05/2022	Jason Butcher 218-229-8830 jtbutter@fs.fed.us
	Description: We propose planting in riparian areas on national forest system lands within the Baptism, Manitou, Two Island, Poplar, & Cascade River watersheds. The purpose of the project is to enhance and restore the aquatic ecosystems.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District, Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Baptism, Manitou, Two Island, Poplar, & Cascade River watersheds on the Tofte and Gunflint Ranger Districts of the Superior NF.				

Superior National Forest	Gunflint Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
Chik Wauk Overlooks and Trapper Cabin Access CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/15/2019	Expected:01/2022	09/2022	Ryan Blaisdell 218-387-3220 ryan.blaisdell@usda.gov
	Description: Chik Wauk Museum and Nature Center is proposing to construct two overlooks in surrounding special use permit area as well a staircase/trail to Trappers Cabin interpretive site.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Township 64N Range 4W Section 30. Projects located within Chik Wauk Museum special use permit area located off of Moose Pond Drive.				

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DNR Junco GUN107020 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/01/2022	Expected:04/2022	01/2023	Katherine Lammersen 218-626-4315 Katherine.Lammersen@usda.gov
	Description: Access to MN DNR Forestry for access to State lands for timber harvest.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T62N R1E Section 18. East of Junco Lake.				
DNR Kimball Creek GUN107021 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/01/2022	Expected:04/2022	06/2022	Katherine Lammersen 218-626-4315 Katherine.Lammersen@usda.gov
	Description: MN DNR Forestry access to State lands for timber harvest				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T62N R1E Section 13 and 24. South of Kimball Creek.				
DNR timber access requests CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/11/2021	Expected:02/2022	02/2022	Luke Laaveg 218-626-4300 x4324 luke.laaveg@usda.gov
	Description: MN DNR access requests on the Gunflint Ranger District includes Nester creek and Greenwood Lake.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T62N R1W Sec. 31, & T61N R1W Sections, 5 and 6- Nester 63N R1E Sections 1, 11, 12, and 26- Greenwood. Gunflint Ranger District.				
Expressway Route Snowmobile Trail Reroute CE	- Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Amy Wilfahrt 218-387-3771 amy.wilfahrt@usda.gov
	Description: Reroute a section of the Expressway Snowmobile Trail between East Twin Lake and the South Brule River that is currently within the floodplain of Bluff Creek. Remove culverts from the existing trail to improve the streams natural flow.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located approximately 25 miles north of Grand Marais, MN near East Twin Lake in Cook County, MN on FR 152.				

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Superior National Forest Gunflint Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
GUN766431 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Katherine Lammersen 218-626-4315 Katherine.Lammersen@usda.gov
	Description: Non-motorized walking path to private property.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Government Lot 12 & 13, Section 31, T66N, R4W. North of Sea Gull Lake.				
Hungry Jack 3B structure improvement. CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2022	Expected:03/2022	09/2022	Ryan Blaisdell 218-663-8603 ryan.blaisdell@usda.gov
	Description: Recreation Residence permit holder is proposing to improve structural repairs of foundation and roof. Additionally, proposing to add 4'x9' addition to current bathroom. No trees will be removed during the project.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T 64N, R1W, Section 2.				
Osprey Pit Expansion CE *UPDATED*	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/11/2021	Expected:04/2022	04/2022	Caroline Torkildson 612-426-1515 Caroline.Torkildson@usda.gov
	Description: Expansion of Osprey gravel pit to provide material for crushed aggregate to be placed on Trout Lake Road.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T63N, R2E, S33.				

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Twin Green Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 07/27/2021	Expected:08/2022	08/2022	Orry Hatcher 928-368-2108 ohatcher@fs.fed.us
	Description: The TwinGreen Project aims to promote diverse, resilient forest ecosystems. This will be accomplished through hazard fuels reduction, vegetation management, and wildlife habitat improvement.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59281				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T61N R2W; T62N R2W; T62N R1W; T62N, R1E; T63N R1W; T63N R1E; T63N R2E; T64N R1W, T64N R1E - all various sections. See the web map at the following link: https://usfs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=997b8118fa0f44f08f18bee9511821bd .				
Wye Gravel Pit Expansion CE *UPDATED*	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/11/2021	Expected:04/2022	04/2022	Caroline Torkildson 612-426-1515 Caroline.Torkildson@usda.gov
	Description: Expansion of existing gravel pit to produce aggregate road surfacing for re-conditioning Kawishiwi Lake Road, FR 354.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T60N, R6W, S5.				

Superior National Forest Kawishiwi Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
2022 Twin Metals MN Special Use Permit Re-issue CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 02/01/2022	02/2022	Barbara Thompson 218-365-7600 barbara.thompson@usda.gov
	Description: Re-issue and combined 3 existing permits where feasible into one permit and renewed as short-term motorized use.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. FR112 Area; T60R11S33, FR424/LC#34 New Tomahawk Road T60R11S9, Spruce Road; T62R11S34.				

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Superior National Forest	Kawishiwi Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
Greenwood Fire Salvage Project CE *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 12/30/2021	01/2022	Linda Merriman 218-365-2095 lmerriman@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Kawishiwi Ranger District proposes to salvage harvest up to 250 acres of moderately to severely damaged trees within the Greenwood Fire perimeter, which burned around 26,797 acres on the Superior National Forest during the summer of 2021.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61038				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake, St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The salvage units are located around 15 miles south of Ely, MN. They are along Lake County 2, around two miles west and southwest of the intersection of MN State Highway 1 and Forest Road 933 spur.				
Kawishiwi 2022 Special Use Re-issues CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 02/16/2022	02/2022	Barbara Thompson 218-365-7600 barbara.thompson@usda.gov
	Description: Re-issue existing special use permits. No changes on the ground are anticipated. These permits will be reissued with updated terms and clauses that are in their current permit.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Various locations including the following general vicinity areas; FR112, Echo Trail, Crockett Lake, and Cloquet Line				
Lake Country Power Powerline Amendment 2 Highway 21 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 02/03/2022	03/2022	Jon Van Alstine 218-626-4319 jon.vanalstine@usda.gov
	Description: Reconstruction of 1428' of aged powerline infrastructure T62N R12W Sec. 17 along Hwy 21 between Ely and Babbitt, MN.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T62N R12W Section 17. Adjacent to Highway 21 between Ely and Babbitt, MN.				
MN DNR Temporary Special Use Authority CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/10/2022	01/2022	Barbara Thompson 218-365-7600 bthompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Temporary (5 years or less) all-season special use permit will be issued to MN DNR for timber management. Road will be decommissioned upon completion of harvest.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Access is north off of FR178, T60R11S7.				

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St. Louis County Timber Sale Access CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/21/2022	Expected:05/2022	05/2022	Barbara Thompson 218-365-7600 barbara.thompson@usda.gov
	Description: Short-term special use request using and existing road that is under a long-term special use permit.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. East of FR112, south of Babbitt, MN. T60NR12Wsec24.				
Twin Metals Minnesota Environmental Impact Statement EIS *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Derek Strohl 414-297-4416 BLM_ES_TMM_comments@blm.gov
	Description: The BLM will lead preparation of an EIS to analyze potential impacts of issuing a preference right lease application and mine plan for an underground copper-nickel mine. Forest Plan amendment and special use permit may be needed.				
	Web Link: https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/1503233/510				
Twin Metals Minnesota Hydrogeologic Field Investigation Activities Environmental Assessment EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management		Cancelled	N/A	N/A
	Description: Gather and analyze baseline data regarding the hydraulic properties of the hydrostratigraphic units adjacent to the Maturi Deposit. Also proposes special use permits for temporary access and ground water use associated with data collection.				
	Web Link: https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2003786/510				
Twin Metals Minnesota Hydrogeologic Field Investigation Activities Environmental Assessment EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management		Cancelled	N/A	N/A
	Description: Gather and analyze baseline data regarding the hydraulic properties of the hydrostratigraphic units adjacent to the Maturi Deposit. Also proposes special use permits for temporary access and ground water use associated with data collection.				
	Web Link: https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2003786/510				
Twin Metals Minnesota Hydrogeologic Field Investigation Activities Environmental Assessment EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management		Cancelled	N/A	N/A
	Description: Gather and analyze baseline data regarding the hydraulic properties of the hydrostratigraphic units adjacent to the Maturi Deposit. Also proposes special use permits for temporary access and ground water use associated with data collection.				
	Web Link: https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2003786/510				
Twin Metals Minnesota Hydrogeologic Field Investigation Activities Environmental Assessment EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management		Cancelled	N/A	N/A
	Description: Gather and analyze baseline data regarding the hydraulic properties of the hydrostratigraphic units adjacent to the Maturi Deposit. Also proposes special use permits for temporary access and ground water use associated with data collection.				
	Web Link: https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2003786/510				

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Superior National Forest LaCroix Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Arrowhead Trail OHV and Road Allowed Use Changes CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/14/2022	Expected:06/2022	07/2022	Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 Timothy.Engrav@usda.gov
	Description: To upgrade two segments of the Arrowhead State Trail for summer OHV use and to change the allowed use of OHVs on segments of Forest Roads.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T65N-R19W s.11,12,13; T65N-R18W s.17,18,19,20,21,26,27,28; T67N-R20W s5,8,17,26,27,35; T66N-R18W S.7,18,19,20,30; T66N-R19W s.1,12,13,25,27. Northeast of Orr, MN near Elephant Lake and FR203 and Myrtle Lake. North of Orr, MN between Sheep Ranch Road and Camp 90 Road.				
Echo Rapids Road washout repair project CE *UPDATED*	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/21/2020	Expected:05/2022	06/2022	Erich Grebner 218-666-0056 or 0053 egrebner@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project proposes to repair culvert washout on Echo Rapids Road. Activities include removing old culverts, gravel washed downstream, installing new culvert, and repairing the road. The existing fish rearing pond, which in no longer in use, will be				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forest Road 479C, Echo Rapids Road north of Echo Lake.				
LaCroix Landscape Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2022	Expected:03/2023	03/2023	Michael Johnson 907-288-7729 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Collaborative effort between resource managers, stakeholders, and land owners to improve forest conditions using an all lands approach. Forest management treatments to address natural resource priority objectives across multiple land ownerships.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55309				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 500,000 acres of federal, state, county, tribal, industrial and private lands in Northeast Minnesota.				

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Superior National Forest LaCroix Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Lac1076.56 MN DNR 218 CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/28/2021	Expected:06/2022	06/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T64N R16W Sec 28. 14.5 miles down the 200 Rd.				
Lac1076.57 MN DNR Echo Trail CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/28/2021	Expected:06/2022	06/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T65N R15W sec 1,2,9,11. Near the Little Indian Sioux BWCAW Entry Point.				
Lac664104 Frank Akins CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal. Reissue of existing special use permit.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T64N R16W sec32&33, T63N R16W sec4,5&9. Off the 200 Road.				
Lac667903 Nick Eastman CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/03/2022	08/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal. Reissue of existing special uses permit.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T67N R20W sec 27. Off 608 Rd.				

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Superior National Forest LaCroix Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Sioux River South Campsites CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/14/2022	Expected:05/2022	07/2022	Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 Timothy.Engrav@usda.gov
	Description: To repair and maintain user developed campsites located along Sioux River South in the BWCAW by installing latrines, fire grates, and designated use areas.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T64N-R15W Sections 10, 15, and 22; T65N-R15W section 26. Little Indian Sioux River, South of Echo Trail (CR116) and west of Bootleg Lake.				
St. Louis County access Mud Creek CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/14/2022	Expected:05/2022	01/2023	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to county lands for land management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Near Mud Creek Road, North East of Soudan.				

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Erik Nelson CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R18W Sec. 23. North of Hwy 53 East of the Seppi Pit road will be 40 feet wide road, .60 miles long, approximately 2.91 acres.				

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Superior National Forest		Laurentian Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R9 - Eastern Region
Giants Ridge Vegetation Management Project EA	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/04/2021 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 02/2022	Expected:06/2022	07/2022	Linda Merriman 218-365-2095 linda.merriman@usda.gov
	Description: The Laurentian Ranger District proposes activities to move vegetation conditions toward desired conditions as described in the Forest Plan, while maintaining scenic integrity near Giants Ridge Recreation Area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60037				
Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Superior National Forest is proposing vegetation management on National Forest System lands (NFS), located two miles north of Biwabik, MN and west of Giants Ridge Recreation Area.					
Lau1002-69 SLC FR 420 & 420J CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/07/2022	Expected:12/2022	12/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to county land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T58N R13W section 3,9. 13 miles east of Hoyt Lakes off FR113.				
Lau1002-97 SLC Big Rice Camp CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/24/2022	Expected:12/2022	12/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to county land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R17W sec 4. Off the Big Rice Lake Campground Rd.				
Lau1070-47 MN DNR Pfeiffer Lk Rd CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/21/2022	06/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T61N R17W Sec 26. Approximately 2.5 miles South of Hwy 1 off the Pfeiffer Lake Rd.				

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Lau1070-49 MN DNR Taconite Tr CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/21/2022	06/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T61N R17W sec.29. Off the Taconite Trail SW of Pfeiffer Lake.				
Lau1070-51 MN DNR Ridgpole CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/24/2022	Expected:12/2022	12/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T59N R11W sec 31, T58N R11W sec 6. East of Big Lake approximately 2.5 miles.				
Lau1071-68 MN DNR 272 Rd CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/03/2021	Expected:12/2022	12/2022	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: MNDNR - Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R20W section 26, 34, 35. North of Chisholm off FS Rd 272.				
Paul Bunyan Cooperative Fiber Optic Construction Amendment 1 LAU402102 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2022	Expected:04/2022	05/2022	Jon Van Alstine 218-626-4319 jon.vanalstine@usda.gov
	Description: Fiber optics install T60N R18W and T59N R17W within existing road prism of various road on the Laurentian Ranger District. Installation with plowing and directional boring methods. Fiber will provide rural residences and businesses with communication				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R18W; T59N R17W. Laurentian Ranger District.				

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Seven Beavers Snowmobile Trail Re-route CE	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 tengrav@fs.fed.us
	Description: To construct a new snowmobile trail re-route in the Skibo road area (Forest Road 120).				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T58N-R13W Sections 20,21,22,23,24,29,30; T58N-R14W Sections 22,23,24,25,26. In the Skibo Road area, County Road 569 and Forest Road 120.				
Sipila Access CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R17W sec 5 & 6. 10 miles N of Virginia, MN.				

Superior National Forest Tofte Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Arrowhead Cooperative Inc. Fiber Optic and Power Line Amendment CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2022	Expected:04/2022	05/2022	Jon Van Alstine 218-626-4319 jon.vanalstine@usda.gov
	Description: Installation of new fiber optic and power along FR170 and CC 49 to Sawbill Outfitters tofte ranger district superior national forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T61N R4W, T62N R4W. tofte ranger district.				

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DNR Baker/Moore Lake TOF107014 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/01/2022	Expected:04/2022	06/2022	Katherine Lammersen 218-626-4315 Katherine.Lammersen@usda.gov
	Description: DNR Forestry for access to State lands for timber harvest on State parcel near Baker and Moore Lake				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T62N R4W Section 22 and Section 23. South of Baker Lake.				
Harriet Lake Lot 6 addition CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 01/04/2022	03/2022	Ryan Blaisdell 218-663-8603 ryan.blaisdell@usda.gov
	Description: Add 16 foot by 16 foot (256 sq. ft)screened porch addition on the east side of their cabin. Extend the roof eaves out five feet on the west side for an open porch that includes an 8 by 5 foot (40 sq. ft.) enclosure for a mud room. Replace windows.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T 60N R 6W Section 20. T 60N R 6W Section 20- Harriet Lake (Lake County).				
Lutsen Mountains Ski Area Expansion Project EIS *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/10/2021 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 05/2022	Expected:09/2022	09/2022	Orry Hatcher 928-368-2108 orry.hatcher@usda.gov
	Description: Lutsen Mountains has requested a special use permit to expand their ski resort onto 550 acres of adjacent National Forest System lands administered by Superior National Forest.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52440				
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T60N R3W S28, T60N R3W S29, T60N R3W S30, T60N R3W S31, T60N R3W S32. Lutsen Resort in Cook County, Minnesota.					

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MN DNR timber access requests Tofte Ranger District CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/11/2021	Expected:02/2022	02/2022	Luke Laaveg 218-626-4300 x4324 luke.laaveg@usda.gov
	Description: MN DNR timber access requests for Cloquet Lake, Plum Lake, Wanless Spurs and Caribou Trail.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Cloquet Lake: T58N R9W Sec. 1, 2 Plum Lake: T60N, R7W, Sec 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15 Wanless Spur: T59N R7W Sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11 T60N 7W Sections 34 and 35 Caribou: T60N, R3W, Sec 3, 2, 11. Across Tofte Ranger District.				
Minnesota DNR Road Access Requests (Crown Lake, Rota Lake, Comfort Lake, Mistletoe Creek) CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/11/2021	Expected:02/2022	02/2022	Isaac Heruth 218-370-0140 isaac.heruth@usda.gov
	Description: The project covers four areas where harvest access is needed by the Minnesota DNR. New temp road construction will take place on 6,830' of USFS land. 6,708 feet of snowmobile trail will be used. 5,876 feet of existing old temp road will be used.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake of the Woods. LEGAL - Township 61 North, Range 7 West, Sections 15 & 22. Township 61 North, Range 3 West, Sections 26, 27 & 35. Township 61 North, Range 7 West, Sections 15 & 22. Township 58 North, Range 9 West, Section 3. The project is located 12 miles northeast of the community of Isabella, in Lake County Minnesota.				
Moose habitat maintenance and enhancement CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 03/29/2022	05/2022	David Grosshuesch 218-663-8076 david.grosshuesch@usda.gov
	Description: Wildlife habitat improvement on 1,180 acres on the Tofte and Gunflint districts for moose, Canada lynx, golden-winged warbler, American woodcock and ruffed grouse, as well as increasing species and diversity.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Gunflint District units include: C176 S15, 16; C215 S02, 09, 10, 13, 26, 29, 38 and 50. Tofte District units include: C66 S76; C79 S03; C115 S66; C121 S16, 27, 29, 31, 47 and 50; C142 S10, 27, 34, 39.				

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Tofte Landscape Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 06/16/2021	Expected:06/2022	07/2022	Orry Hatcher 218-235-3007 orry.hatcher@usda.gov
	Description: The Tofte Landscape Project would help improve forest conditions and achieve vegetation management objectives on the district over the next 15 years, using a 'flexible toolbox' approach.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55216				
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project area is the Tofte Ranger District, excluding the Boundary Water's Canoe Area Wilderness, Roadless Area Conservation Rule areas, Research Natural Areas, and Unique Biological Areas.					

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